

The English Line education program

The English Line program for first graders - information and application

The City of Kotka continues the English Line program, if enough pupils sign up for the first grade (minimum of 18 students).

The English Line program is primarily for local pupils from Kotka. The pupil's guardians are responsible for school transportation. The program is open to pupils interested in studying in Finnish and English however English skills are not required from applicants. Native English speakers' applications are considered separately/ tested during an interview.

Additional information from https://www.kotka.fi/kasvatus-ja-koulutus/perusopetus/painotettu-opetus/kaksikielinen-opetus/.

The language abilities and maturity of the children will be evaluated with a learning readiness test in Finnish on the 18th of February 2021 at 9.00 at Haukkavuori School. All applicants are welcome to the tests <u>without separate invitations</u>. A bilingual program requires extra effort from the child and if he or she has difficulties in learning, reading or writing, this should be considered before applying to the program.

The English education program is based on the Finnish primary school curriculum but it is bilingual. This means, that the subjects and lesson hours will follow the same curriculum as the other primary schools in Kotka.

If you are interested in the program and would like your child to apply, please <u>send an application by February 16th 2021</u> by e-mail: <u>anu.tiilikainen@kotka.fi</u> or by mail: Kotkansaaren koulu, Haukkavuoren toimipiste, Opintie 2, 48100 Kotka Application forms in English can be found here: https://www.kotka.fi/kasvatus-ja-koulutus/perusopetus/painotettu-opetus/kaksikielinen-opetus/.

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